

TITLE OF THE INVENTION

SORTING A GROUP OF INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DEVICES FOR THOSE DEVICES REQUIRING SPECIAL TESTING

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

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[0001] This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 10/379,257, filed March 3, 2003, pending, ^{now U.S. Patent 6,788,993.} which is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/607,201, filed June 28, 2000, now U.S. Patent 6,529,793, issued March 4, 2003, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/145,758, filed September 2, 1998, now U.S. Patent 6,122,563, issued September 19, 2000, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/801,565, filed February 17, 1997, now U.S. Patent 5,844,803, issued December 1, 1998, which is related to: a co-pending application having Serial No. 08/591,238, entitled "METHOD AND APARATUS [sic] FOR STORAGE OF TEST RESULTS WITHIN AN INTEGRATED CIRCUIT," and filed January 17, 1996; a co-pending application having Serial No. 08/664,109, entitled "A STRUCTURE AND A METHOD FOR STORING INFORMATION IN A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE," and filed June 13, 1996, now U.S. Patent 5,895,962, issued April 20, 1999; an application having Serial No. 08/785,353, entitled "METHOD FOR SORTING INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DEVICES," and filed January 17, 1997, now U.S. Patent 5,927,512, issued July 27, 1999; a co-pending application having Serial No. 08/822,731, entitled "METHOD FOR CONTINUOUS, NON LOT-BASED INTEGRATED CIRCUIT MANUFACTURING," and filed March 24, 1997, now U.S. Patent 5,856,923, issued January 5, 1999; a co-pending application having Serial No. 08/806,442, entitled "METHOD IN AN INTEGRATED CIRCUIT (IC) MANUFACTURING PROCESS FOR IDENTIFYING AND RE-DIRECTING IC'S [sic] MIS-PROCESSED DURING THEIR MANUFACTURE," and filed February 26, 1997, now U.S. Patent 5,915,231, issued June 22, 1999; and a co-pending application having Serial No. 08/871,015, entitled "METHOD FOR USING DATA REGARDING MANUFACTURING PROCEDURES INTEGRATED CIRCUITS (IC'S) [sic] HAVE UNDERGONE, SUCH AS REPAIRS, TO SELECT PROCEDURES THE IC'S [sic] WILL UNDERGO, SUCH AS